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FM AMEMBASSY BANGUI

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TAGS: OEXC

SUBJECT: CU/ARTS: GUY WELLS BLUES BAND

1. EMBASSY WISHES EXPRESS SINCERE APPRECIATION TO CU/ARTS
FOR RESOURCEFUL AND SUCCESSFUL EFFORTS OBTAIN SERVICES ON GENEROUS
TERMS OF GUY WELLS BLUES BAND FOR AFRICAN TOURNEE.

2. EMBASSY WOULD BE PLEASE TO HAVE GUY WELLS GROUP AT ANY TIME
DURING FIVE-WEEK TOUR. HOWEVER, AS INDICATED BANGUI 1208 (NOTAL)
OF SEPTEMBER 2, OUR STRONG PREFERENCE IS FOR PERIOD NOVEMBER 27 -
DECEMBER 4 OR ANY PART THEREOF TO COINCIDE WITH DECEMBER 1
NATIONAL DAY FESTIVITIES WHICH WAS BASIS OF ORIGINAL REQUEST.

3. BELIEVE FOUR OR FIVE DAY VISIT WOULD PERMIT BEST USE OF BAND'S
TIME AND TALENT AND PROVIDE GOOD PROGRAM PACE AND MIX. EMBASSY
ENVISIONS FOLLOWING POSSIBILITIES FOR PERFORMANCES DEPENDING NUMBER

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OF DAYS GROUP AVAILABLE AND OBTENTION NECESSARY PERMISSION LOCAL

AUTHORITIES FOR USE OF FACILITIES, ETC:

(1) PERFORMANCE DURING GALA EVENING AT PRESIDENTIAL PALACE
DECEMBER 1 ON OCCASION OF 15TH ANNIVERSARY OF CAR INDEPENDENCE;

(2) AFTERNOON OR EVENING MASS CONCERT EITHER AT NATIONAL BASKETBALL

ARENA OR AT BOGANDA STADIUM PRIOR TO OR DAY AFTER NATIONAL
FESTIVAL;

(3) EVENING PERFORMANCE AT LARGE REX MOVIE HOUSE IN
HEART OF AFRICAN AREA OF BANGUI KNOWN AS KILOMETER CINQ; AND

(4) INVITATION ONLY PERFORMANCE AT PROTESTANT CENTER FOR YOUTH FOR
GUESTS, FRIENDS AND CONTACTS OF US MISSION BANGUI. DEPENDING
ON AVAILABILITY OF GOCAR AIRCRAFT AND OTHER LOGISTICS WOULD ALSO
ATTEMPT ONE MAJOR PERFORMANCE AT POPULATION CENTER IN PROVINCE
SUCH AS BAMBARI, BOUAR, BOSSANGO A OR BERBERATI. SUBJECT TO
CONSENT OF BAND TELEVISION AND RADIO APPEARANCES WOULD ALSO BE
ARRANGED.

4. EMBASSY UNDERTAKES PROVIDE ROOM AND BOARD IN EMBASSY
HOUSING FOR SEVEN MEMBERS OF GROUP THROUGHOUT PERIOD OF STAY.

5. WOULD APPRECIATE CONFIRMATION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE OF
ACCEPTABILITY OF DATES FOR BANGUI VISIT.

6. DECON UPON RECEIPT.
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